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SUBJECT: UP SOFTPEDALS ALLENDE' S LENIN PEACE PRIZE

1. IN MAY 2 COMMUNIQUE ACKNOWLEDGING LENIN PEACE PRIZE, PRES ALLENDE STATED, AMONG OTHER THINGS: " THIS RECOGNITION STRENGTHENS MY WILL TO FIGHT UNCEASINGLY FOR OUR ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE, INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING, AND PEACE (BUT) FUNDAMENTALLY FOR DIALOGUE AMONG CHILEANS, REJECTING VIOLENCE, TO ENABLE US TO FIND THE ROAD OF PROGRESS FOR CHILE AND WELFARE FOR OUR COMPATRIOTS."

2. COMMENT. WE ARE STRUCK BY REMARKABLY LITTLE PLAY ALLENDE' S AWARD HAS RECEIVED LOCALLY. OPPOSITION MEDIA SO FAR HAVE GREETED IT WITH SARCASM, BUT IT WAS NOT EVEN MENTIONED DURING MAY DAY RALLY (SANTIAGO 1879) AT WHICH ALLENDE PRESIDED. COMMUNIST PARTY DAILY EL SIGLO, ALTHOUGH FAITHFULLY REPORTING CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES AND THE LIKE, CHOSE NOT TO CARRY STORY ON FRONT PAGE. WE ARE INCLINED TO CONCLUDE THAT ALLENDE WAS FAINTLY EMBARRASSED BY AWARD AT THIS MOMENT OF HIGH DOMESTIC
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TENSION, WHEN HIS CRITICS CRY HE IS FAST ABSORBING
SOVIET MODELS AND LOCKING CHILE IN SOVIET EMBRACE.
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